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In re Patent Application of:

Kazuo Okada

Application No.: 10/697,086

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Filed: October 31, 2003

Art Unit: 3713

For: GAMING MACHINE

Examiner: M. W. Oneill

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS Amendment
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Dear Sir:

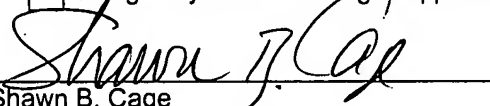
INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated February 10, 2005 (Paper No./Mail Date 02082005), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.



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Applicant(s): Kazuo Okada					
Invention: GAMING MACHINE					
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
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Independent Claims	2	- 3 =		x	0.00
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